

Spialia orbifer Hb. – Locally common, Mount Falakro.

Carcharodus alceae Esper – Local and uncommon, Amphipolis and Mount Falakro.

C. orientalis Reverdin – Local and uncommon, Amphipolis and Mount Falakro.

Erynnis tages L. – Widespread and common.

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Lomaspilis marginata (L.) (Lep.: Geometridae) in November

A fresh male of the common form *discocellaris* Strand (normal, plus isolated spot in forewing cell) attended my garden m.v. light on 9.xi.1995 – the second mild night following a week of anticyclonic weather with cold nights.

Although B. Skinner (1984, *Moths of the British Isles*. Viking) and C.W. Plant (1993, *The Larger Moths of the London Area*. LNHS) both cite the time of appearance of this moth as June and July, here in Dartford it usually continues until mid-August. In 1995, noted for its long, hot summer, it failed to be observed in August; the previous occasion when this occurred being 1976, also remembered for the long, hot summer. It is usually seen here also in May, and in 1992 was noted as early as 30 April. In 1975 a specimen was seen as late as 31 August.

Newman and Leeds (1913, *Text Book of British Butterflies and Moths*) state that the pupae of *L. marginata* may lie over for more than one winter, and from experience I have found that in other species occasional individuals which do not emerge in the first year are more liable to mistime their eventual emergence. Perhaps this November specimen is one of their number, and not to be considered a member of a token second generation?

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